NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FINAL REGULATIONS

The Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources gives notice of a hearing to be held on a proposed final regulation:

225 CMR 17.00 – ADVANCED BIOFUELS QUALIFICATION AND MINIMUM CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

The regulation, 225 CMR 17.00, is a new regulation which implements a statutory requirement established by Section 1A of Chapter 64A of the General laws, as provided by the <u>Clean Energy Biofuels Act</u> (Chapter 206 of the Acts of 2008). The regulation establishes a process for the Department of Energy Resources to qualify cellulosic biofuels as an "eligible cellulosic biofuel" for purposes of exempting such fuels from the motor fuels tax as stated in section 1 of Chapter 64 of the General Laws.

Any interested party may attend the public hearing which will be held on:

Friday February 6, 2009 100 Cambridge Street, 2nd Floor 10:00-12:00pm

The Department will accept written and oral testimony at the hearing on these proposed final regulations, which were filed on January 9, 2009 as emergency regulations. Written comments may also be submitted by **5:00 pm on Tuesday February 10, 2009** to Robert Sydney at the Department of Energy Resources, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02114. Any questions may be directed to Robert Sydney at the Department via email at Robert.Sydney@state.ma.us.

The text of the regulations can be viewed on the Department's website at http://www.mass.gov/doer